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REMARKS

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1. Troop trains seen passing through Musterrack, coming from the direction of Doeritz and proceeding toward Rathenow-Stendal, included a train of an undetermined number of flatcars carrying 7 T-34/85 tanks, 2 SU-152 guns, and 8 to 9 trucks, 8 boxcars occupied by troops; and 3 closed boxcars, at about 11 a.m. on 30 August 1953, and a train of an undetermined number of flatcars carrying 9 T-34/85 tanks and 8 trucks, including 9 boxcars occupied by troops and several closed boxcars at about 9 a.m. on 31 August.

2. At about 11:15 a.m. on 26 August, a train of 15 flatcars with sideracks, carrying 12 x 132-mm rocket launchers, 14 trucks, 1 sedan and 1 field kitchen; and 18 boxcars, including some occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, was seen in the area of the former Luftschiffhafen Potsdam, coming from the direction of Juterbog and proceeding toward Miledpark.

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3. On 26 August, a shipment of five flatcars with sideracks, carrying five JS-1 tanks, passed through the Brandenburg-Alstadt railroad station, coming from the direction of Kirchmöser and proceeding toward Rodgau.

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4. Beginning at 8 a.m. on 24 August, 1 JS-3 tank, 5 JS-1 tanks, 4 SU-152 guns, 16 trucks loaded with boxes and equipment; 1 field kitchen, and 200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with the yellow number 38, were entrained at the Templin railroad station and left toward Vogelsang at about 2:30 p.m. At about 10 a.m. on 26 August, five flatcars carrying five assault boats were seen at the Templin railroad station. At about 10:30 a.m., the shipment left toward Vogelsang. At the same time, 50 to 60 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia and red-bordered black epaulets with the silver number 17 were seen near the station. They left aboard the regular passenger train toward Eberswalde at about 2:30 p.m. On 27 August, 1 JS-3 tank, JS-1 tank, 7 T-34/85 tanks, 2 trucks with boxes, another 4 trucks with boxes and equipment, 2 ambulances, 2 sedans and about

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150 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets were entrained at the Templin railroad station and left toward Vogelsang at about 2:30 p.m. The unit had come from the direction of Kammnurg.⁴

5. Beginning at 8:10 a.m. on 4 September, 2 JS-1 tanks, 28 T-34/85 tanks, 39 trucks, 2 ambulances, 2 field kitchens, 50X1-HUM

about 40 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia; and 20 uniformed women were entrained at the Templin railroad station and left toward Berlin at 5:45 p.m. Troops and materiel had come from the direction of Kammnurg.⁴

6. At about 4 p.m. on 27 August, a total of 11 tanks, including JS tanks and T-43 tanks and several trucks were detrained at the Neustrelitz railroad station and left toward Demjuech. Other motor vehicles of this shipment and others left toward the Neue Infanterie Kaserne.⁷ 50X1-HUM
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1. Comment. These trains went from Doeberitz to Neustrelitz with tank units of the 1st Mecz Div. 50X1-HUM
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2. Comment. The train is rather safely believed to have been shipment which, with elements of the 90th RL Regt (US) of the Second Gds Mecz Army, went from Juterbog to Velten.

3. Comment. These tanks of the 82d Gds Hv Tank St Regt of the 6th Gds Mecz Army were detrained in Eberswalde in the evening of the same day. 50X1-HUM

4. Comment. units of the 6th Gds Mecz Div were presumably entrained. 50X1-HUM

5. Comment. The motor vehicle probably belong to the 1st Mecz Div. 50X1-HUM
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unloading of shipment from Doeberitz. See Field Comment 1. 50X1-HUM

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